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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

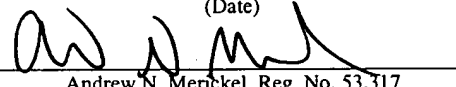
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Applicant: Sophie et al.
Application Number: 09/975,466 ✓
Filing Date: October 9, 2001 ✓
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:

(X) Previously submitted:

(X) Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on May 19, 2003. A copy is enclosed, for the examiners convenience.

(X) Return Postcard

2. Miscellaneous:

() Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of 0 months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months).

3. Fees: -

(X) RCE fee (\$750 large entity)

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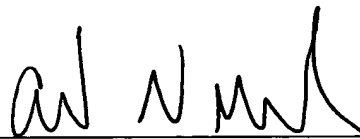
4. Payment:

(X) Check in the amount of \$750 to cover the above fees.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, now or in the future, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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